



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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Los Angeles, California 90012

Chief Administrative Officer  
Director, Department of the Coroner

At its meeting held May 16, 2006, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Knabe made the following statement:

“Recent news reports have highlighted some disturbing findings regarding the Los Angeles County Coroner’s operation. Overcrowding, unsanitary conditions, and bodies infested with maggots were all noted by the press reports. It is imperative that our Chief Medical Examiner-Coroner’s operation be operated in a clean, safe manner, and with dignity for the respect of the deceased and their family members.”

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Knabe, seconded by Supervisor Yaroslavsky, unanimously carried (Supervisors Molina and Antonovich being absent), the Director of the Department of the Coroner was instructed, in conjunction with the Chief Administrative Officer, to conduct a full investigation into the issues reported in the press regarding the current status of the Coroner's capital projects, as well as the progress on initiating the process to provide the Coroner with a new building; and report back to the Board within 30 days.

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